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Sir:

This is a request for an application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MELTING A METAL

Enclosed are:

- [X] 24 pages, Abstract, specification, claims; Power of Attorney, Petition; signed declaration (1 page) attached to application
- [X] 2 A4 size soft sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-3) attached to application,
- [X] Small Business Concern's Statement, signed by Mr. Peter Rauh CEO of Ing. Rauch Fertigungstechnik GmbH, owner of all rights.
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- [X] A certified copy of a German Patent Application 102 56 513.9 filed December 4, 2002
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement, German Patent Office Search Report, PTO-1449 and 7 references

Claims as Filed

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[X] CLAIM IS HEREBY MADE OF THE BENEFIT OF THE FILING DATE OF THE German Patent Application 102 56 513.9 filed December 4, 2002 UNDER 35 USC 119.

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